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WORK SET TO BEGIN ON ILLINOIS STREET RESURFACING PROJECT

INDIANAPOLIS – The Department of Public Works is set to begin work on the Illinois Street resurfacing project, from Washington Street to 16th Street. Due to the poor conditions of the Illinois Street infrastructure, various improvements will be made this summer as part of the overall project.

PROJECT DETAILS:

- Illinois Street between Washington and 16th Streets will be milled, resurfaced and restriped.
- A five-foot bike lane will be added along the east side of Illinois Street. The bike lane will run from New York Street to just south of Walnut Street and again from just north of St. Clair Street to just south of 16th Street.
- Curb and sidewalk spot repairs will be made.
- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) curb ramps will be constructed to meet current standards.
- Minor drainage issues will be addressed.
- Landscape improvements will be made to the bus stop at the northeast corner of Illinois Street and 16th Street.
- Dead trees will be replaced throughout the project area.

CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE:

- **Construction is expected to start on or after July 9.**
- The milling, resurfacing and restriping work will take place at night.
- The curb, sidewalk, drainage and landscaping work will take place during the day.
- Daily lane closures will be needed, but three thru lanes of traffic will be maintained during the rush hours of 4 – 6 p.m.
- There will be no construction and all lanes will be open during major events (e.g., Indiana Black Expo's 39th Annual Summer Celebration, Allstate 400 at the Brickyard).
- The estimated construction end date is late fall 2009.

The estimated construction cost of this project is \$1.3 million, with 80 percent federal funds and 20 percent local funds.

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